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Problems Remain Uncorrected in Meigs County

Meigs County officials need to correct numerous issues with their management and bookkeeping practices, an audit by the Comptroller's office shows.

The annual audit reveals 19 areas of serious concern spread across numerous Meigs County government offices. 11 of the findings were also highlighted in last year's report, but had not been corrected.

The variety of problems include issues with budgeting, purchasing, payroll, record-keeping, and failing to reconcile fuel purchases.

Auditors also noted the Comptroller's investigative findings released in October 2014 concerning the Meigs County finance department and a separate conflict of interest violation in the school department. This report is available at <http://www.comptroller.tn.gov/repository/ia/meigscountyfinal.pdf>.

"I am troubled by the history of uncorrected problems in Meigs County," Comptroller Justin P. Wilson said. "Last year's audit included 16 repeat findings and this year's report includes 11. I am hopeful the county's new Audit Committee and County Mayor will begin fixing these issues in a timely manner to reduce the risk of fraud."

To view the audit online, go to: <http://www.comptroller.tn.gov/ia/>

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